

THE ANACONDA STANDARD, MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 23, 1895.

## Montana State News.

## SOME NICE PARTIES

Billings Young and Old People Enjoy Themselves.

CARDS, LUNCHEONS, DANCES

Whist at the Home of Dr. and Mrs. Chapple—The K. of P. Entertained by the Misses Rathbone—Personals.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

Billings, Oct. 23.—On Wednesday evening Dr. and Mrs. Chapple gave an exceedingly pleasant whist party at their home on Thirteenth street. At the end of the evening when the scores were added it was found that Mrs. Dewar was winner of the lady's prize, a pretty photograph frame, and H. G. Williams of the gentleman's prize, a decorated cigar stand.

The score cards were diamond shaped and were very dainty. The tasteful little supper consisted of chicken salad, thin bread and butter sandwiches, olives, shad, cake and coffee. The guests were Messrs. and Mesdames Blair, Dewar, Finkelnburg, Goss, Harwood, Hays, Herford, W. W. Johnson, Matheson, Paul McCormick, O'Donnell, John Ramsey, Rowley, Williams and Williston. Mrs. A. C. Tompkins and Alex. Fraser.

Miss Rixon and Miss Chapple assisted the hostess in entertaining. A few of the young people gained permission to have a little impromptu hop in the famous Daniel Boone cabin last Friday evening and, as impromptu dances often are, it was an unusually jolly and sociable one. About midnight the boys and girls regaled themselves on doughnuts and coffee, after which they dispersed to their homes. Those present were the Misses Grace Church, Lois Fagally, Tessie Fisch, Marion Goss, Maud Gruwell, Tessie Hirsch, Amy Hirsch, Alice McCormick, Laura Miller, Winnie Rixon and Georgia Young; Messrs. Lyman Colvin, Jack Fraser, Eddie Fraser, Tony Matheson, Wilbur McCormick, Bruce Renwick, Willie Rixon, Percy Smith and Charlie Whitney.

A concert was held at the Allendale schoolhouse one night this week, which was well attended, and the programme rendered in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. The dialogues were especially well acted.

A surprise party was given in honor of Miss Grace Church's birthday last Monday evening at her home on Twenty-Seventh street. The evening was spent in a pleasant manner with the game of hearts, followed by tasty refreshments. The young ladies present were Misses Maud Boyle, Tessie Fisch, Lois Fagally, Marion Goss, Maud Gruwell, Tessie Hirsch, Alice McCormick, Wilfred Rixon and Georgia Young.

Some of the young girls of the town have organized a fancy work club, and the first meeting was held last week at the home of Marshall Terrell, where they were entertained by the Misses Josie and Edna Terrell. After the great part of the afternoon had been spent in doing fancy work, dainty refreshments were served. The members present were the Misses Laura Miller, Eunice Bridgman, Agatha Sztinc, Harriet and Ellen Stebbins and Winnie Burton. The invited guests were Mrs. H. K. Pish, Mrs. J. Sims, Mrs. A. A. Fenske and Mrs. L. H. Pratt.

Mrs. David Pratt entertained a number of her friends at a heart party on Thursday afternoon. Elaborate refreshments were served. The head prize was won by Mrs. W. Johnston. Those present were: Mesdames H. M. Allen, Ash, Babcock, Blair, Chapple, Carle, Clement, Crawford, Garvin, Gruwell, Johnson, Matheson, McCormick, McIntyre, Rowley, Williams, Williston and Miss Laing.

The Rathbone sisters on Wednesday evening entertained the Knights of Pythias and their lady friends in a banquet hall, beginning with a light supper which was a thing of beauty and joy forever, and after a short and interesting programme, including able and graceful speeches by the most excellent chief, Mrs. S. W. Soule, and the excellent second, Mrs. Alex. Graham; a song, "Dear Heart," sung with great sweetness by Mrs. Hungerford; a reading, "The Jesters," read by Mrs. Burton inimitable style; an instrumental selection by Mrs. A. G. Ross, which was much enjoyed, and a vocal solo by C. F. Burton, for which he was vociferously cheered, and responded with the song, "Alice, Where Art Thou?" After the programme was completed card tables were placed around the room (the supper tables in the meantime having been quietly removed) and the games of hearts and euchre became a very interesting feature of the evening. When nine or ten hands had been played, the scores were added and the prizes awarded in the following manner: Mrs. Joseph Sims, lady's head prize, a Chinese cup and saucer; gentleman's head prize, a pretty necktie pin in the form of a diminutive sword. Mr. Frikelle, Mrs. N. G. Camille won a tiny tray of silver filigree work as a consolation prize, and the large and mysterious looking package which fell to W. H. Ross' lot was found to contain a jumping-jack.

The score cards were in the form of a Maltese cross. The hall presented a very beautiful appearance as one entered it in the early part of the evening, being lavishly decorated with flowers and potted plants of many varieties. Long festoons of bunting in the several colors of the order were draped across the room, and over the chair of the most excellent chief hung a canopy of evergreens. The banquet hall was also in the form of a Maltese cross, and extended from one end of the long hall to the other accommodations being necessary for a very large number of guests.

The soft light shed from many banquet lamps, the flowers and the artistic array of salads and other triumphs of the culinary art made it indeed an attractive sight. The evening was brought to an agreeable close by a solo by Mr. Burton, sung by special request, Longfellow's "The Village Blacksmith." It is a magnificent song, and was wonderfully rendered by Mr. Burton. The evening was a most enjoyable one, and will long be remembered by those so fortunate as to be present. As it was impossible to obtain a full list of the guests, we omit the names altogether.

The family of W. B. Ten Eyck have returned from a camping trip of over a month in the Bear mountains.

Charles Spear has gone to Junction to attend to business affairs.

Last Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Holmes and son returned from a visit in St. Paul.

Mrs. Mahr was called to Wyoming last week by the news of her sister's serious illness.

Judge Fraser and his two sons visited Graystone Lodge, the residence of E. S. Pratt, on Saturday and returned on Monday with well-filled bags of game.

J. C. Bond returned from a visit to Lake Basin on Monday.

The pie social, under the auspices of the Epworth league, took place on Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. H. D. Claflin. There were about 45 pies competing for the prize, which was a silver dollar, and was won by Mrs. Boardley. Three bald-headed men were to act as judge and eat the prize winner, but as only two of them turned up, Mrs. Crampton acted in connection with Judge Campbell and H. D. Claflin.

John Johnson, commonly known as "Liver Eating Johnson," the noted scout and Indian fighter, was noted from Red Lodge this week.

Dr. A. C. Pantun returned on Wednesday night from Aransas Pass, Texas, where he has been spending the past two weeks. While there Dr. Pantun enjoyed a day's sport at tarpon fishing and succeeded in landing three of these monsters of the deep, a big record.

M. B. Rademaker has been seriously ill with a dislocated knee, the result of a fall from the fire wagon, but he is now much better.

J. H. Charters, the Grass Range merchant, was in town this week.

E. H. Becker was in Helena last week. Cass Prudhomme, manager of the Loekamp store in Red Lodge, was in town the early part of the week, returning from a visit at Hunter's Hot Springs.

The wife and children of C. H. Cunningham of the Gazette and his sister, Miss Kate Cunningham, arrived from Great Falls on Tuesday morning, and will in future make Billings their home.

G. S. Robinson of Helena was the guest of Senator Babcock on Saturday.

Mrs. T. A. Williams and children of Oregon have arrived and will make Billings their future home.

James Campbell of Fort Custer was in town on Monday.

G. S. Robinson and Tom Linton, who have been making a business trip through the Musseshell country, returned home this week.

C. W. Chowning was in town this week, returning from his mining camp on Clark's fork.

Mrs. D. E. Jones, who had been visiting for a week in Red Lodge, returned to Billings on Tuesday night.

Mrs. Drum is in town from the Musseshell, the guest of Mrs. Charles Blair.

Miss M. Printy, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. George Lamport, for the past two months, was married to Charles E. Leckie last week at Red Lodge.

Colonel Whitney of Helena, who has been visiting his daughters in Chicago, came to town on Wednesday night's westbound train and will remain for a few days visiting his daughter, Mrs. Herford.

Mrs. Margaret McInee, the mother of Mrs. Robert T. Hannah, died last Sunday, after a short illness. The family of the deceased have the sincere sympathy of the community.

A Chapman of Red Lodge was in town on Thursday.

Charles O'Neal of Anaconda is in town visiting his mother, Mrs. Williston.

Last Monday a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Young of Dean creek.

F. T. Woods of Livingston was in town on Thursday en route to his old home in Missouri, where he will spend a month visiting relatives.

George Pirrie was in from Halbert this week shipping a band of sheep to Trevor, Wis.

An Evidence of Fright.

Great Falls Tribune: Among the signs of the times there is none more significant than the pie sent out by the chamber of commerce of the city of Cleveland, Ohio. This body of capitalists, or serfs of capitalists, have sent out an edict that all the commercial bodies in the United States should unite in insisting that the next presidential campaign shall be a short one, and that instead of holding the national conventions six months prior to elections they shall be held only three months prior. This move on the part of the Ohio republicans, or any other republicans, is all right from their side of the fence. It is an evidence that they are frightened, and yet it suggests the idea that McKinley has at last realized that he will not be in it as a presidential candidate, should he secure that coveted honor at the hands of the convention. If the campaign is of sufficient duration to allow a full and fair discussion of the tariff bill, we are willing to admit that the existing tariff law has not met the expectations of the democracy, and going beyond that we are willing to assert that in the language of Winfield S. Hancock, the tariff is a local issue, yet we do insist in Montana that in making up the aggregate of what each section shall pay, we are in all reason entitled to equity. The Tribune is democratic to the core, but it only advocates Montana democracy, or to be nearer the line, Montana sentiment independent of political parties. The people of this state demand what belongs to them. In the whirl of politics they may not get it, but, make no mistake, they will make a very pronounced effort in that direction.

Important Labor Meeting

Helena News: Invitations have been sent to all labor organizations of the state to send delegates to the state Trades and Labor council which meets at Anaconda on the 15th of November. If from any cause any labor organization has failed to receive an "invite," the members of such organization must consider that there is some good cause for it; that the secretary of Trades and Labor council has been unable to get the names and address of the proper officers of the organization, or that the invitation has miscarried in the mails. Every delegate from a bona

fide labor organization will be received and given a seat in the council, even though his organization did not receive an invitation. Secretary Caulfield has taken every possible means to find the addresses of all labor organizations of the state, and as there are several hundred of them, it would be surprising if he had not missed some of them. It is the intention and desire to have every labor organization represented in the council if possible, and if any such organization should not have received an invitation, let it send the proper number of delegates; one delegate for the charter and one for every 50 members or fraction thereof. Let there be a full delegation from all labor organizations of the state, as this will be the most important labor meeting that has ever been held in Montana. Send the ablest and best men as delegates.

George W. Dari.

Dillon Examiner: In the demise of George W. Dari Beaverhead county and the entire state of Montana has lost one of its best and most useful citizens. He was one of that fast-diminishing band of sturdy pioneers who helped to build up this great and prosperous commonwealth. His efforts, whether in private or public life, were always on the side of right. Honesty of purpose and a desire to treat everybody justly characterized every one of his dealings with his fellow-men, and it may be truthfully said of him that he left not a single enemy behind him. The Examiner expresses the universal sentiment of the people of the county in extending to the afflicted widow and fatherless children its deep and heartfelt sympathy for their great loss and sorrow.

Were the Gamblers Out? Dillon Examiner: The anti-gambling law test case was decided by the Montana supreme court on Monday and the law declared to be unconstitutional. The court also decided that the old gambling license law is still in force. The Examiner has had a strong suspicion right along that the passage of the anti-gambling law in the form it did was a "put-up-job." While there is no direct evidence to support this statement it is our opinion that those who represented the gambling interests in the last legislature, instead of fighting the bill openly, saw to it that it was passed in defective form, thus making the law inoperative. This was certainly the cheapest and smoothest way of "heading off" the anti-gambling agitation for another two years.

Evidence of Success.

Dillon Examiner: The Anaconda Standard has now regularly as a 12-page paper, with 16 pages for its Sunday edition. This last enlargement makes good the Standard's claim of being the leading daily published in the Northwest between St. Paul and Portland. The Examiner takes pleasure in congratulating its enterprising Anaconda contemporary on this evidence of prosperity and success, which it has fairly earned by its unsurpassed enterprise in the newspaper field. May the "Greater Standard" become greater and greater as the months and years roll by, is the wish of the Examiner.

A Strange Coin.

Boulder Age: Rev. Blythe was making inquiries Monday as to a peculiar coin in his possession. On examination by experts they succeeded in deciphering this inscription: Good for 12 1/2 cents in trade at—

And it was evident that some unregenerate sinner had put a bar check in the contribution box. In the process of examination, one of our leading citizens stepped to the door apparently to get a better light on this strange coin, and when he returned in about three minutes he wore a happy smile and an odor of cloves, but the coin had disappeared.

Good Young — a Good Wrong.

Deer Lodge Silver State: The attempt to rob the bank of Hoge, Daly & Co. at Anaconda by two well known and trusted young men about that city last Saturday night, recalls very vividly the two young men of that place who more than a year ago broke into the vault of the Anaconda company at Carroll, taking several thousand dollars' worth of bullion. They were soon captured and the bullion restored. All of these young men bore good reputations and were prosperous, but they went wrong for some reason and more homes are darkened.

I's a Daisy.

Hamilton News: The great Anaconda Standard has expanded into a 12-page paper, and this change became necessary in order to meet the constantly increasing advertising patronage and to furnish all the news. The Standard is a daisy. Long may it live and prosper.

County Medical Societies.

Hamilton News: It is gratifying to know that the physicians of Ravalli county are alive to the importance of and benefits to be derived from the formation of a medical society. No doubt great good to themselves will be realized and the public generally will be greatly benefited by an exchange of ideas which such a society would make possible and through investigation of diseases which are prevalent in the valley.

Cupid in Valley County.

Glasgow Record: Capt. J. H. Mills, commissioner of the Montana bureau of statistics has prepared a report showing among other things the number of divorces and marriages that occurred in the different counties of the state during the year 1894. Valley county is credited with four divorces, and her matrimonial rank is the lowest in the state, only 11 marriages having been recorded for the year.

Jerry Smith.

Boulder Age: Many of the state papers have mentioned the death of Jerry Smith. It is pleasing to note the oft expressed affection for the old-timers of Montana. The bond of friendship among those who were the early settlers of a new country is strong, and the respect and admiration for them by those who came later is always shown and is properly due to those who pointed the way and "blazed the trail."

Without a Peer.

Glasgow Record: The Anaconda Standard is leading the other daily newspapers of the state a hot race. It is now enlarged to a 12-page paper, the increase in space having been made necessary by its increasing advertising patronage and its extensive news service. As a Montana daily the Standard is without a peer.

## POPEJOY HIS NAME

It Is Believed That He Was Drowned in the Yellowstone.

J. H. PISOR'S ASSAULT CASE

"Jimmy the Gopher" Is Complaining Witness and There Were Ludicrous Scenes at the Trial.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

Livingston, Oct. 23.—It is believed that the identity of the unknown man found drowned in the Yellowstone near Horr a week ago, has been discovered. A letter received last night by Coroner Shawk from W. H. Emmet of Cinnabar, states that the man's name was Popejoy; that he had been working in the Montana Coal & Coke company's timber camp, and was supposed to have a family residing in or near Livingston. This information was obtained by Mr. Emmet from James Northy, who runs a store at the new coal camp near Horr. It appears that the only thing found in the pockets of the deceased whereby his identity might be established was a scrap of paper containing a list of provisions, and included "two quarts of whiskey, \$3." This slip was shown Mr. Northy and he recognized it, having made out the memorandum himself for a man named Popejoy to whom the goods were sold and the duplicate slip delivered. The fellow took the whiskey and left the store, stating that he would return later for the provisions. He seemed to be somewhat demented and was not seen again until his body was found in the Yellowstone.

The only Popejoy family residing in this section lives on a ranch near Springdale, several months ago the head of the family, William Popejoy, left home. It was last heard from on the upper Yellowstone. It was reported then that he was acting very strangely, and his stepdaughter, Mrs. Reese Tunnell of Mission Creek, stated at the time that she thought he was demented. It is pretty certain now that he is the man found drowned in the Yellowstone. Coroner Shawk has written to Mrs. Popejoy for a description of her husband.

J. H. Pisor of Horr, recently bound over to the district court on a charge of assault in the second degree, was tried Friday and acquitted. The complaining witness was J. H. Goldsworthy, better known as "Jimmy the Gopher." It was in evidence that both Goldsworthy and his wife bore shady reputations, and their testimony was impeached. During the course of the trial many ludicrous incidents occurred which made the spectators laugh and the court smile. One witness for the defense, familiarly known as the "Irish Jew," set the court room in an uproar of laughter by relating a conversation that he overheard at the hotel the night before between Goldsworthy and his little 10-year-old daughter. He said Goldsworthy was instructing the child how to act when on a witness stand, and what to testify to. In addition he told the girl not to be afraid of the judge or anybody else; that he was running the whole business, and would open court himself in the morning. In his argument to the jury, Attorney H. J. Miller for the defense, took advantage of the occasion to roast the witnesses for the prosecution and was especially severe on Mrs. Goldsworthy, accusing her of character, accusing her of perjury and intimating that she was but little removed from a common prostitute. Had it not been for the interference of the court bailiff Mrs. Goldsworthy would have created a scene right there and then. Twice she got up and started with clenched fists toward the attorney, but was forced to sit down. Finally, at the request of Sheriff Young, she left the court room, vowing vengeance on Mr. Miller.

Beley & Polutnik, of the Livingston Bottling works, have purchased a second-hand plant at Wallace, Idaho, and will have it shipped to the thriving camp of Belt, where they will start a saloon and establish branch bottling works. The Belt house will be in charge of Mr. Polutnik, who left to-day for the great coal camp.

The Livingston Creamery company has found it impossible to secure a sufficient quantity of milk to keep the plant running during the winter, and will close down for three months about the middle of December.

Leasing of State Lands.

The leasing of the state lands of Montana is not a source of great revenue to the state, still it is showing an increase over that of former years. Last year was the banner year in the history of Montana, as is shown by the books of Register Swiggett. The leases are required to insure the possession of the land, which is in demand this year for use next year for grazing purposes. Heretofore private parties have been using the land for their own purposes without giving due recompense to the state. The difference in the revenue is considerable and will increase to a handsome sum as the state is more thickly settled. The records for October show that thus far there have been 15 leases of the land, and Captain Swiggett is of the opinion that they will average a section apiece, which means a revenue of at least \$40 a section. The leases are made at the rate of 5 per cent, on a valuation of \$1.25 per acre, or 6 1/4 cents, except in cases where there is an extra demand for the land in question, and then it is rented to the highest bidder. In that way some sections have been made to produce the state as much as \$60 each. The revenue from the acreage leased thus far this month will be about \$800. The leases are given from year to year, and the lessee has no exclusive rights on account of his lease, except that he is permitted to remove the same figures when no offer of a greater amount has been made.

The Poor Law.

A case pending in the district court of this county to determine whether a citizen of this county is compelled to support an indigent poor at his individual expense, or if he is not a citizen of Jefferson county whether it would be advisable to dump him in a drying

condition over on Butte, as the commissioners of Jefferson county wanted to. If a man comes into a county and remains but a short time and pays his taxes, he is not a citizen of this county, according to the construction put upon the law by the three county dads, and entitled to no benefits whatever for the amount of money he pays to the county. This is a mighty queer law, indeed, and a mighty nice gang who comprise the board of this county, comprise the board of this county. The sentiment of this community is with the minister at Whitehall who began the action.

Billy Sears.

Billings Times: Many of the readers of the Times will recollect Billy Sears, when he lived in Billings about nine years ago. He had been a soldier in the British army and wore on his breast a medal for gallant conduct in the campaign against El Madi, but strong drink was fast wrecking his life. Being a skillful boxer he was in great demand for glove contests, in which he won many plaudits but little money. He moved to Helena, and made little progress for some years. It so fell out that Francis Murphy, the temperance lecturer, stopped over at Helena to recruit from the effects of a railway accident, and was prevailed on to speak in Helena. Among his hearers was Billy Sears, prizefighter and drunkard. The eloquent words of the gifted orator fell upon good soil in the heart of Billy Sears, and from that time he has avoided the snare that was destroying his manhood. Instead of spending his wages as heretofore and wasting his time in idleness, he worked diligently, saved his wages and is now the owner of several houses in the capital of the state, which bring him good returns, and is conducting himself as a good citizen. When he lived in Billings Billy Sears never imagined that he would form the subject of a temperance lecture except from the point of view of a horrible example, but here we have given it.

Boulder Sinners Touched.

Jefferson County Sentinel: We never met a minister that we liked better than Brother Shelton, because he is entirely free from self, and works so hard for the elevation of mankind, and to bring the people to a realizing sense of their condition spiritually. He is a quiet but forcible reasoner, and his pleadings are almost beyond the power of man to resist, and we are fully convinced that there are many who would like to do everything he asks simply to please him, because we know that the reverend gentleman would appreciate it. But an honest man must be convicted before he can be converted. A man should never do anything unless he has a reason for doing it. Pious and show in religious matters without a well defined aim, is simply ridiculous. Rev. Wickes' exhortation last Tuesday evening was certainly to the point, and it was this: that there is a great moving of the waters, but it was deep-seated, and hardly observable to the casual observer, but he thought the heaven was working; that the prayers of the Christians in Boulder had been heard and in God's time they would be answered. It may not be to-day or to-morrow, but a great revival of religion was in store for the people of Boulder at no distant day. He believed the people were praying for it, and in the course of time their prayers would be bountifully answered.

On the Right Trail.

Belt Valley Times.

The silver senators have at last struck the right trail. Senator Dubois and other leaders are making a strong effort to induce the friends of silver from the three parties in the senate to stand together on organizing that body regardless of party issues. This is the proper course to pursue, and if the friends of the white metal throughout the country would do likewise the question of free coinage would soon be a speedy and favorable solution. As long as the supporters of free silver cling to their party on other issues there is very little hope. In union there is strength is as applicable in this case as in any other. The hope and aims of the goldbugs is to keep the silver men in line with their party, and thus defeat silver. The action of the leaders in the senate may do much towards forming a combination to fight the goldbugs in 1896.

First in News.

Belt Valley Times.

The business of the Anaconda Standard has increased so that the proprietors have found it necessary to enlarge the paper to 12 pages of six columns each, an increase of 12 columns. The Standard's popularity as a daily news paper is second to none in the state. Not only is it first with the associated press reports with interesting news from all over the world, but its state service is unexcelled. We hope the efforts of the publishers to give the people of the state in general a representative paper will be appreciated by 100 per cent. increase in the circulation and business.

Press Woodruff Goes South.

Billings Times.

Press Woodruff, the Arkansas humorist, was a passenger on Tuesday's east-bound train. He says he is going to inflict his venerable repertoire of hoary-headed discourses on the Southern people, and will make his headquarters at Atlanta, Ga. Should Press make his route from that city to the sea, the folks who lived there "endure" the "web" will forgive Sherman's blunders and hold them rather in kindly remembrance as the lesser evil of the two.

Good Land Left.

Chinook Opinion.

There is a limited number of quarter sections of land lying in the valley, east of Chinook, that are yet vacant, but in a very few months there will not be any valley land to be had in this vicinity, though farther east, from a few miles east of Harlem to the state line, there is vacant government land. Invite your eastern friends out and show them what we're doing.

Most in Agriculture.

From the Phillipsburg Mail.

The reports to show that a large proportion of the big corn crop will be sold at unremunerative prices. This is the true policy of the farmers, and they can not fail to profit by it. Agriculture is a poor business only when the grower is obliged to market his surplus at a time and in a way dictated by the speculators.

## CATTLE AND SHEEP.

Put Your Feed Into Stock and Take Chances on the Market.

Rocky Mountain Husbandman: The one important subject for the consideration of cattle and sheep raisers at this writing is that of winter feeding. Since the autumn of 1893 Montana ranchmen and farmers who have had feed to spare from the wintering of the common herd have found it profitable to winter feed a nice little bunch of stock for the spring market. When the memorable summer of 1893 was drawing to a close the worst financial stringency this state had ever known set in and all who had cattle or sheep that were fit for market hurried them forward. Everything that would pass for beef or mutton was sold and sheep raisers shipped thousands of wethers to the feeding pens of Wisconsin for winter feeding. Returning from the market in the autumn and feeling the pressure of times still bearing on them small bunches of steers, and in one or two instances, a few sheep were selected for feeding experiments. This proved a great success. The money this stock brought in the spring proved a great relief to agricultural districts and tided many an unfortunate operator over a very trying hour in his business history. In the late summer and early fall the same year cattle and sheep raisers shipped just as closely as ever, but were so well pleased with their feeding experiment the winter previous that they fed again on a larger scale. The rise in beef between Jan. 1, 1895, and spring was such as to make the beef feeding experiments exceedingly profitable, some feeders nearly doubling their money, and sheep feeders did quite well. The time is now at hand for those who feed to determine what they will do. The heavy winter along this line. The corn belt and the great number of western cattle that have been bought since Sept. 1 for feeders is inclined to make some of our Montana operators a little suspicious and they are not so strongly inclined to feed as they were a year ago. We are of the opinion that the feeding proposition is all right, and that those who make it a rule to feed all the steers or wethers they have feed for will in the end find it is vastly more profitable than attempting to sell the feed in the bale and bushel. There have been a few train loads of winter fed cattle sent East in trespassing, but it was not absolutely necessary that this should have been done since the consumption of our own state is sufficient to use up all the good marketable beef and the most of the mutton Montana, with her present facilities, can produce. It is true the eastern markets will in a measure regulate our local markets, but we can certainly better afford to feed our own beef and mutton than allow some of the older states to do it for us, and if there should prove to be a surplus, it will sell in Chicago at a fair price. There is little doubt of this since the states feeders have well know cannot afford to sell the stock being purchased this fall very low, and will endeavor to hold rather than sell for a losing price. We are greatly in favor of winter feeding and this year of all others Montana is in a condition to feed to advantage. In addition to a crop of the best hay ever put up the state has a large tonnage of grain inured by the frost that can be profitably disposed of only by feeding it to cattle, sheep or hogs. There are no chances to take in feeding the present crop to either of these classes of stock. The coming spring will mark a much improved industrial era both here in Montana and elsewhere, and there will be a good demand for fat stock from February until July, when grass beef and mutton will begin to come in, and should Montana feeders have more than a home supply it can be sent forward and sold for at least enough to justify the feeding. Let every farmer, ranchman, cattle raiser and wool grower who has feed to spare put it into fat stock and take chances on the market. A moderate price will be better than carrying feed over from year to year and paying taxes on it. Let each year provide for itself and manage to consume each season's crop the following winter and the greatest success attainable in these pursuits cannot fail to be chronicled. In years gone by stockmen have figured on hay carried over as an insurance against losses of a severe winter, but since the country has now so advanced that many stockmen figure on feeding all the winter through there is no necessity of carrying hay over from one winter to another since the ranchman can readily figure on the amount of feed necessary for a given number of stock and the amount consumed does not vary materially even though the weather does prove severe. It will anyhow be found to be the most profitable to turn each season's hay crop and grain crop, too, where the stock raiser grows grain into money as soon as possible.

One County, One Towel, One Bottle.

From the Deer Lodge New Northwest.

The newspapers in Missoula are constantly engaged in a bitter and seemingly senseless squabble. The editor of the morning paper is branded as a rascal and a thug; the editor of the afternoon paper is painted as a fellow so wicked that the devil has refused to have anything to do with him. The whole quarrel is disgraceful, the result of faction fights which have injured Missoula for years. The brethren of the press over there should come off; there's nothing edifying about that kind of business. If they will come over to Deer Lodge they will witness the way the amonies of the profession are observed. In this town the rival editors wine on the one towel and sometimes they drink out of the same bottle. The people who pay for a newspaper want news; it spares no wicked that the devil has refused to have anything to do with him. The editor thinks of another in a personal way.

A Montana Jewel.

Basin Times.

The Anaconda Standard has, indeed, earned for itself the reputation of being "The Diamond of the Rockies." It spares no expense in getting the latest and most reliable news, and pays for it like a prince. Recently enlarged, it has become the peer of any newspaper in the Northwest, and the equal of any on the Pacific coast. It is a Montana jewel which can be found in every prospector's cabin and at every home and fireside.

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